

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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CHIEN et al.

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Examiner: DUONG, Khanh B.

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision of the Primary Examiner dated March 28, 2006 finally rejecting claims 1-20.

A timely response to the final rejection was filed on July 14, 2006.

The \$500.00 Appeal Fee is attached.

The shortened statutory period expiring on June 28, 2006, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months, from June 28, 2006 to September 28, 2006. Also included in our check is \$900 as payment of the fee for a three month extension of time, with the first month paid with the 09/29/2006 NAHHED1 00000068 10734197 Response filed July 14, 2006, for filing this Notice of Appetal 1401

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